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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS EQUIPMENT FUNDING FOR EGYPT

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1. DEPT APPROVES IN PRINCIPLE, FUNDING OF EQUIPMENT FOR
NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS. IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO DO A
113 NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS FOR THIS PROGRAM, THUS OUR

ACTION ALSO DEPENDENT UPON CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL.

2. WISH TO REITERATE THAT THIS MUST BE COVERED BY A
PROJECT AGREEMENT AND IT MUST BE CLEAR TO THE EGYPTIANS
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THAT THIS EQUIPMENT IS FOR USE IN NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS
AND CANNOT BE UTILIZED FOR OTHER ENDEAVORS. WE ARE
POUCHING A SAMPLE PROJECT AGREEMENT, ATTENTION NARCOTICS
COORDINATOR. THIS SHOULD BE HELPFUL IN DEVELOPING AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE EGYPTIANS.

3. WE ARE PREPARED TO GO FORWARD WITH NOTIFICATION TO

CONGRESS IF EMBASSY IN AGREEMENT WITH ABOVE. PLS ADVISE.

4. AS MIGHT BE EXPECTED, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS
NECESSARY IN PREPARING FOR PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT.

INFORMATION IS NOT PART OF 113 NOTIFICATION PROCESS, BUT
WILL BE NEEDED FOR PROCUREMENT ORDERS. VEHICLES: WE
CAN OBTAIN AN AMC CJ/7 RENEGADE 4-WHEEL DRIVE JEEP WITH
RIGHT-HAND DRIVE AND A CHOICE OF HARD TOP OR CANVAS TOP.
DEPARTMENT BELIEVES HARD TOP MORE DESIRABLE AND RECOMMENDS
ACCORDINGLY. HOWEVER, REQUEST EMBASSY THOUGHTS. IF
AMC VEHICLE NOT ACCEPTABLE, PLEASE ADVISE. WISH TO POINT
OUT IF EMBASSY HAS IN MIND NON-AMERICAN VEHICLE, JUSTIFI-
CATION FOR SUCH PURCHASE MUST BE SUBMITTED AND APPROVED.
ADDITIONALLY, AMC VEHICLE IS AVAILABLE NOW, HOWEVER, EVEN
WITH IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY WE ARE TALKING SIX TO NINE
MONTHS FOR DELIVERY VIA SURFACE (SHIP). RADIOS: REQUEST
OPERATING FREQUENCIES OF PRESENT EQUIPMENT. WE PROPOSE
MOTOROLA EQUIPMENT SINCE MANUFACTURER ADVISES MAINTENANCE
CAPABILITY AVAILABLE IN-COUNTRY, IF NEEDED. ESTIMATED
DELIVERY TIME FOR US RADIO EQUIPMENT, ONCE ORDER HAS BEEN
PLACED, ABOUT 90 DAYS. BULLET-PROOF VESTS: DEPARTMENT
WILLING TO CONSIDER PROVIDING BULLET-PROOF VESTS, HOWEVER,
LIKE MOST EQUIPMENT THERE IS MORE THAN ONE TYPE. VESTS ARE
DESIGNED TO WITHSTAND DIFFERENT TYPES OF BULLETS AND
COME IN DIFFERENT WEIGHTS. FOR EXAMPLE, IN ONE WARM-
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CLIMATE COUNTRY WE PROVIDED WHAT WE CONSIDERED TO BE
AN APPROPRIATE VEST OF MEDIUM WIGHT, BUT LOCAL POLICE
REFUSED TO WEAR THE VESTS BECAUSE THEY WERE TOO WARM.
WILL VESTS BE FOR PROTECTION AGAINST REVOLVERS, RIFLES,
OR A COMBINATION? ANY IDEA WHAT CALIBER OR TYPE OF
FIREARMS, I.E., HIGH-POWERED OR STANDARD VELOCITY. AGAIN,
THIS INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE PROPER
TYPE VESTS. ESTIMATED DELIVERY TIME FOR VESTS, ONCE
ORDER HAS BEEN PLACED, ABOUT SIX MONTHS.

5. COSTS: VEHICLES	\$40,000
RADIO EQUIPMENT	12,000
BULLET-PROOF VESTS	6,000
	\$58,000
TRANSPORTATION	
AND HANDLING COSTS	15,000

	\$73,000

6. WHEN EMBASSY AGREEMENT RECEIVED WE WILL PROCEED WITH
113 NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS. WHEN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REGARDING EQUIPMENT ITSELF RECEIVED, WE WILL BE ABLE TO
CONSIDER PROCUREMENT. VANCE

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